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Approved by Committee on State Administration

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March 15, 1975

## SENATE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 565

That House Bill No. 565, third reading, be amended as follows:

- 1. Amend title, line 7. Following: "BYLAWS" Insert: ; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE"
- 2. Amend page 1, section 1, line 16. Following: "board" Insert: "and, if the number is set at five (5), the initial terms of two (2) trustees,"
- 3. Amend page 3, section 1, line 13. Following: line 13 Insert: "Section 2. Effective date. This act will become effective upon passage and approval."

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